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MOUNT VERNON—A 4-year-old girl is in stable condition, with non-life-threatening injuries, after being attacked by a neighbor's dog while visiting with her grandfather at his home on the 100 block of North 30th Street today.

Mount Vernon medical response units arrived within a minute of the 3:21 p.m. call to discover the 4-year-old female patient with bites to her face and left shoulder, as well as a bite to her grandfather's hand.

The girl was reportedly in her grandfather's garage when the neighbor's dog wandered over and entered the garage. The dog attacked the girl, biting her face and shoulder. The girl's grandfather intervened in the attack and the dog bit the grandfather's hand.

Med units were returning from a previous response and were close by at the time of the call. The girl was transported in stable condition to Skagit Valley Hospital. MVPD Animal Control is at the scene of the attack for investigation.

The dog is reportedly a mix of breeds, that appears to include "husky." Animal Control will follow standard procedure for skin-breaking dog bites by quarantining the dog for 10-days while an investigation of the attack is completed.